

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
BEAUFORT DIVISION

SHERINETTE WANNAMAKER, a/k/a)	
Sheri Wannamaker,)	
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Petitioner,)	
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vs.)	Case No. 9:13-cv-02934-TLW
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WARDEN, GRAHAM CORRECTIONAL)	
INSTITUTION,)	
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Respondent.)	
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ORDER

Petitioner Sherinette Wannamaker, an inmate with the South Carolina Department of Corrections, filed this pro se habeas petition pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254 on October 28, 2013. (Doc. #1). Respondent filed a motion for summary judgment on April 4, 2014 (Doc. #26), to which Petitioner filed a response in opposition on April 18, 2014 (Doc. #31) and a supplemental response on May 5, 2014 (Doc. #33). Petitioner also filed a motion for a certificate of appealability on September 9, 2014. (Doc. #37).

This matter is before the Court for review of the Report and Recommendation (“the Report”) filed by United States Magistrate Judge Bristow Marchant, to whom this case was assigned pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(B) and Local Civil Rule 73.02(B)(2)(c), (D.S.C.). In the Report, the Magistrate Judge recommends that this Court grant Respondent’s motion for summary judgment and dismiss the petition with prejudice. (Doc. #34). Petitioner filed timely objections to the Report on September 9, 2014. (Doc. #36). This matter is now ripe for disposition.

In conducting this review, the Court applies the following standard:

The magistrate judge makes only a recommendation to the Court, to which any party may file written objections The Court is not bound by the recommendation of the magistrate judge but, instead, retains responsibility for the final determination. The Court is required to make a de novo determination of those portions of the report or specified findings or recommendation as to which an objection is made. However, the Court is not required to review, under a de novo or any other standard, the factual or legal conclusions of the magistrate judge as to those portions of the report and recommendation to which no objections are addressed. While the level of scrutiny entailed by the Court's review of the Report thus depends on whether or not objections have been filed, in either case, the Court is free, after review, to accept, reject, or modify any of the magistrate judge's findings or recommendations.

Wallace v. Housing Auth. of the City of Columbia, 791 F. Supp. 137, 138 (D.S.C. 1992) (citations omitted).

The Court has carefully reviewed the Report and Petitioner's objections thereto in accordance with the standard announced in Wallace, and it concludes that the Magistrate Judge accurately summarizes the case and the applicable law. Accordingly, it is hereby **ORDERED** that the Report and Recommendation is **ACCEPTED** (Doc. #34), and Petitioner's objections thereto are **OVERRULED** (Doc. #36). For the reasons articulated by the Magistrate Judge, Respondent's motion for summary judgment is **GRANTED** (Doc. #26) and the petition is **DISMISSED** with prejudice.

The Court has reviewed this petition in accordance with Rule 11 of the Rules Governing Section 2254 Proceedings. The Court concludes that it is not appropriate to issue a certificate of appealability as to the issues raised herein. Petitioner is advised that she may seek a certificate from the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals under Rule 22 of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure. Petitioner's motion for a certificate of appealability is **DENIED**. (Doc. #37).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/ Terry L. Wooten
Terry L. Wooten
Chief United States District Judge

November 18, 2014
Columbia, South Carolina